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Julie Larson-Green, the architect of Microsoft's popular Office 2007 software, is in charge of the company's push to renew its customers' faith in Windows with a new version due to be released in January. **AP FILE**

# Windows repair

Meet the woman behind Microsoft's effort to restore users' faith after Vista

## Associated Press

**REDMOND, Wash.** Julie Larson-Green hopes you'll like Windows 7. If not, well, now you and a billion other people know whom to blame.

Microsoft is counting on Larson-Green, its head of "Windows Experience," to deliver an operating system that delights the world's PC users as much as its last effort, Vista, disappointed them. She's in charge of a wide swath of the system, from the way buttons and menus work to getting the software out in January as scheduled.

"We want to reduce the amount of thinking about the software that they have to do, so that they can concentrate all their thinking on the task they're trying to get done," Larson-Green said in an interview.

Microsoft relies on Windows for half its profit, and it still was profitable after Vista's 2007 launch, but its poor reception dinged the software maker's reputation.

## OPERATION FEEDBACK

To improve Windows 7, Microsoft remotely tracked nearly 11 million Vista users who let their PC activities be monitored and surveyed more than 250,000 people around the world. An example of a new Windows 7 feature: You decide the left-to-right order of icons in the task bar at the bottom of your screen.

What's more, Vista's initial incompatibility with many existing programs and devices, and its pestering security warnings, exposed Microsoft to ridicule in Apple commercials that helped Macintosh computers gain market share. Businesses didn't give up Windows, but many delayed upgrading to Vista.

You probably don't know her name, but if you're using Office 2007, the sleeper hit of the Vista era, you're already familiar with Larson-Green's work. She was the one who

banished the familiar system of menus on Word, Excel and other programs in favor of a new "ribbon" that shows different options at different times, depending on what a user is working on. It seemed risky, but it was grounded in mountains of data showing how people used the software.

To build Windows 7, Larson-Green, 47, sought insights in a daunting mass of data, as she did with Office.

Her team tried to build an operating system people could use without studying first, one that would let them get right to reading the news or sending e-mail without dragging them down a rabbit hole of settings and configurations. A system with manners, not one that constantly interrupts with bubbles, boxes and warnings that, data showed, people ignored or raced to close.

"I think people are going to like it," Larson-Green said. Her voice rose a few notes when she added, "I hope so."



President Obama and Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez meet Sunday. **GETTY IMAGES**

## Obama tracker

Keeping tabs on the president's busy weekend:

## SHAKING, NOT STIRRED

President Obama on Sunday strongly defended his highly publicized handshakes with Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez at a closing news conference at the Summit of the Americas in Trinidad and Tobago. Obama also suggested Cuba release its political prisoners.

The president's greeting of Chavez drew quick condemnation from Republicans back home, but Obama brushed that aside. He said Venezuela has a defense budget about one-six hundredth the size of the United States', and owns Citgo, the oil company. "It's hard to believe we are endangering the strategic interests of the United States" by talking with Chavez, Obama said.

Former Central Intelligence Agency Director Michael Hayden, an official in the Bush administration, expressed caution about any changes in U.S. relations with Venezuela, calling Chavez's behavior "downright horrendous."

## MORE BANK BAILOUTS

Some big banks will need more bailout bucks, Obama administration officials said Sunday, although it is unlikely the government might need to take over any reeling institution.

Regulators now are putting the nation's 19 largest banks through tests to determine their ability to withstand worsening economic conditions. The government hopes to make the results public in early May.

## PLASTIC SURGERY

Meanwhile, the White House says that it will back congressional efforts to clamp down on credit card abuses. The House and Senate are considering a credit card bill of rights to limit the ability of credit card companies to raise interest rates on existing balances and to require greater disclosure. **AP**

## THE DIGIT

# No. 1

Wal-Mart has a little less reason to be smiley: Oil giant Exxon Mobil knocked the retailer from the top spot on the 2009 Fortune 500 list. Exxon claimed the No. 1 spot with \$442.85 billion in revenue in 2008. Wal-Mart, which had held the top spot for six of the last seven years, slipped to No. 2 with \$405.6 billion in revenue.

Fortune said earnings fell 85 percent for the 500 companies on its list in 2008, the biggest one-year decline in the list's 55-year history. **AP**





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### CORRECTION

A reader letter in the April 14 Going Public column gave incorrect information about whether the No. 72-North Avenue bus route is a part of the CTA's bus tracker system. The No. 72 route was added to [ctabustracker.com](http://ctabustracker.com) March 2.

# do u wanna go out w/me?

My hair was styled, my drink was strong and my expectations were high.

It took me 1 minute to decide that blond at the bar was going home with me and 1 second for her to shut me down.

That was 15 years ago, long before texting and tweeting became the new talking.

And long before I lost most of my hair.

I consider myself quite the flirt and I love to text, but I talked to two young writers from New York who are experts in the combination of the two. Their book, "Flirtexing: How to Text Your Way to His Heart," will not only get you a date, but it'll also make you LOL.

And while the book is written from a female perspective, authors Olivia Baniuszewicz and Debra Goldstein say the same basic rules apply whether you're a girl or a guy.

Do: Come up with clever responses to flirttexts (there's a chapter in the book with suggestions).

"It's meant to be light, fun, witty banter back and forth," Goldstein said during a conference call.

Don't: Respond immediately to a flirttext. Let your crush sweat it out.

"Flirtexing gives you as much time as you need. There's no way they know if you are tied to your phone or not," Baniuszewicz said.

In my earlier example, the girls are quick to point out that initial contact still is required to exchange phone numbers—a random message popping up on someone's cell phone would be "creepy"—but my chances of scoring a date by wowing her with 160 characters of witty banter vs. stuttering and sweaty palms changes the game.

Baniuszewicz and Goldstein said the idea for the book was born when they realized how much they were consulting each other and their friends about the text messages they were receiving from men.

But the girls stress that flirtexing is more than a way to avoid awkward social situations. As the new first step in dating, it's a cultural phenomenon and movement.

Baniuszewicz and Goldstein make it easy to get in touch with them and learn how to flirttext like a pro. You can find the flirtexing fan page on Facebook at <http://tr.im/IOew>, follow them on Twitter at [twitter.com/flirtexing](http://twitter.com/flirtexing) or read their blog at [flirtexing.com](http://flirtexing.com).

What do you think of flirting via text? Tweet me, poke me—just tell me. Or, flirttext me. I'm free Fridays.

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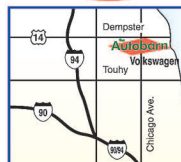
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## Don't cross pedestrians

### Chicago Tribune

Two new efforts are afoot to make it safer for pedestrians to cross the street—and more costly for drivers who endanger walkers.

Chicago police will intensify the city's crosswalk enforcement program this week, pulling over and ticketing drivers who fail to yield to plainclothes police officers posing as pedestrians at intersections that don't have stop signs or traffic signals.

"We started out by issuing warnings last year to get the word out that it's not just a

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Pedestrians killed in vehicle-related accidents in Chicago in 2007, according to the Illinois Department of Transportation.

courtesy, but the law for drivers to yield to pedestrians in crosswalks," said Kiersten Grove, pedestrian program coordinator at the Chicago Department of Transportation.

"Now police will be issuing moving-violation tickets" with fines ranging up to \$500, said Grove, who is the main architect of the crosswalk enforcement campaign.

Meanwhile, legislation pending before the state Senate would go even further, strengthening the Illinois vehicle code by requiring drivers to not only yield—but stop—when pedestrians are in crosswalks.

Violators would face a minimum \$150 fine in Illinois. The measure has passed the House. Current law requires drivers to yield to pedestrians in crosswalks by slowing down or stopping if necessary.

Meanwhile, Chicago plans to conduct several high-profile crosswalk enforcement operations this week: 8 a.m. Thursday at Nagle and Peterson Avenues; 8 a.m. Saturday at 119th Street and Stewart Avenue; 10:30 a.m. Saturday at 103rd Street and South Prairie Avenue; and 1 p.m. Saturday at 86th Street and Commercial Avenue, according to the Chicago Department of Transportation.

Several crosswalk enforcement stings will be conducted each week through September at locations with a history of vehicle-pedestrian accidents or at crosswalks near schools, senior citizen centers and shopping areas where there is heavy foot traffic, according to CDOT.



Former President Bill Clinton speaks Sunday at the Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center in Skokie. JOSE M. OSORIO/TRIBUNE

# Clinton says thanks

## Former president, dignitaries open holocaust museum

### Chicago Tribune

Former President Bill Clinton opened the Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center in Skokie on Sunday with a speech that thanked survivors for their courage to educate others during a time when genocide still unfolds across the world.

An estimated 12,000 people slogged through rain to attend the ceremony, held beneath a tent outdoors, that included a videotaped statement by President Obama and the appearance of Holocaust survivor and author Elie Wiesel.

"Deeply in every person, the forces of light and darkness do battle," Clinton said. "When the darker forces prevail, the capacity for evil rises. That must always be remembered and opposed."

Gov. Quinn, hip-hop violinist Miri Ben-Ari, the German ambassador to the U.S. and other dignitaries also participated in opening festivities.

The \$45 million museum culminates years of work by Holocaust survivors,

### CLOSER LOOK

The newly opened museum, designed by architect Stanley Tigerman, covers 65,000 square feet and contains two wings, one dark and one light. The dark side houses the main exhibit with the horrors of the Holocaust depicted, while the light side symbolizes rescue, renewal, hope and remembrance.

who were stirred to take action in the mid-1970s when a neo-Nazi group threatened to march in Skokie. The march never took place, but survivors formed a foundation and speakers bureau that opened a small storefront museum on Main Street.

"It struck me as particularly significant that this will be the last museum built in the United States with the direct memories of the survivors," Clinton said.

He spoke of other genocides, of his sorrow for not getting involved earlier to stop the killing in Rwanda. And he voiced support for Israel.

Wiesel, author of the book "Night," which described his survival of the Holocaust, asked: "Has the world learned the lesson? Sadly, the answer is no."

He cited the mass killings in Cambodia,

Darfur, the Balkans and Rwanda, but emphasized that each person can make a difference with a simple action. "You never can know the impact and the consequences of a word, a sentence, a prayer or a smile," Wiesel said.

After the opening ceremony, audience members were visibly moved, with some staying in their seats to watch videotaped testimonies from survivors.

"It was fantastic. It was overwhelming, just the magnitude of the hard work and the level of importance of what is being done for the community," said Jennifer Neal, 37, of Crown Point, Ind.

J.B. Pritzker, the museum's capital campaign chairman, said that the museum is not limited to Jewish history.

"These are not simply Jewish stories or Polish stories or Catholic or gay or lesbian stories," Pritzker said in opening remarks. "These are stories about mankind in all of its dimensions. There were tormentors, and there were victims. ... A few risked everything so that others could live."

About seven neo-Nazis, some waving swastikas, quietly protested several hundred yards from the museum dedication, Skokie Police Cmdr. Michael Ruth said.



# Churches against sexual violence

In an unprecedented move in the Chicago area, more than a dozen churches on the city's West Side delivered coordinated sermons on sexual violence Sunday, saying it was time for a widespread but often hidden problem to be addressed from the pulpit.

At the Greater St. John Bible Church in Austin, Yancey Bady, an associate minister, went one step further, confessing during his sermon that he himself had been a victim of sexual abuse—a revelation that brought members of the congregation to their feet with shouts of support.

“Brother preacher knows what you’re going through,” Bady said, as he called on all the victims of sexual violence to turn to God and counselors for healing. “Brother preacher been molested too.”

The churches that participated in the Sunday of Sermons are part of a broader coalition called the Leaders Network. The group has coordinated sermons before to bring attention to community issues, such as the need for school funding, but never before have the sermons addressed on the often taboo subject of sexual violence.

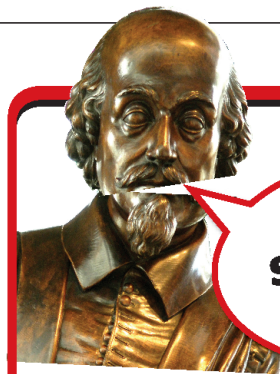


Yancey Bady preaches Sunday at Greater St. John Bible Church.  
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Sharmili Majmudar, executive director of Rape Victims Advocates, a Chicago organization that helped organize them, said no event of this kind had never taken place anywhere in the city.

What helped prompt the sermons was lingering outrage over the brutal rape of a teenage girl in Austin last fall.

Sunday's sermons, timed to take place during Sexual Assault Awareness Month, were designed to shed light on the prevalence of sexual violence and to shatter the silence surrounding it, he said, adding that the move was especially important in the predominantly African-American West Side of the city.



**Ye all  
shalt talk  
like me**

And you thought Talk Like A Pirate Day was fun. On Monday, Mayor Daley is to announce that Thursday, William Shakespeare's 445th birthday, is to be “Talk Like Shakespeare Day.”

Doth must not protest. Because today is April 20 rather than April 1, we'll assume the mayoral proclamation is both legit and sincerely made. Soft! On Thursday, verily, haply we'll heareth Shakespearean language in all kinds of Chicago settings. Alack! Prithee! Mark me well! (That means here are some examples.)

**Former Gov. Rod Blagojevich**, in impromptu statement outside home: “Thieves for their robbery have authority, when judges steal themselves.”

**U.S. Atty. Patrick Fitzgerald** (when told): “Foul devil, for God's sake hence, and trouble us not; For thou hast made the happy earth thy hell, Fill'd it with cursing cries and deep exclaims.”

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# Investigation finds pharmaceuticals in water

U.S. manufacturers, including major drugmakers, have legally released at least 271 million pounds of pharmaceuticals into waterways that often provide drinking water—contamination the federal government has consistently overlooked, according to an Associated Press investigation.

Hundreds of active pharmaceutical ingredients are used in a variety of manufacturing, including drugmaking: For example, lithium is used to make ceramics and treat bipolar disorder; nitroglycerin is a heart drug and also used in explo-

## WHAT WAS FOUND

Two common industrial chemicals that are also pharmaceuticals—the antiseptics phenol and hydrogen peroxide—found in waterways account for 92 percent of the 271 million pounds identified as coming from drugmakers and other manufacturers.

ceuticals are released by U.S. manufacturers because no one tracks them—as drugs. But a close analysis of 20 years of federal records found that, in fact, the government unintentionally keeps data on a few, allowing a glimpse of the pharmaceuticals coming from factories.

The data don't show precisely how much of the 271 million pounds comes from drugmakers versus other manufacturers; also, the figure is a massive undercount because of the limited federal government tracking.

sives; copper shows up in everything from pipes to contraceptives.

Federal and industry officials say they don't know the extent to which pharma-



## 14 years later

**7 OKLAHOMA CITY** Greg Gales pauses at the chair of his uncle, Mickey Maroney, at the Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum on Sunday before the start of the ceremony marking the 14th anniversary of the Oklahoma City bombing. **AP**

## 1 U.S. boycotts racism event

The United Nations opens its first global racism conference in eight years on Monday in Geneva with the U.S. and at least five other countries boycotting the event out of concern that Islamic countries will demand that it denounce Israel and ban criticism of Islam.



## 2 Back on stage

A frail, 90-year-old Nelson Mandela struggled to the stage Sunday at a political rally before South Africa's election, making a surprise appearance to the cheers of 100,000 supporters. He wore a shirt in support of ANC candidate Jacob Zuma. **AP**

## 3 Wreck kills five

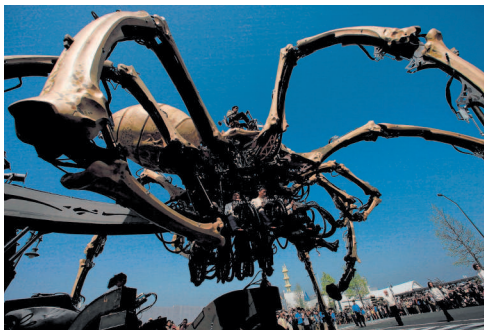
Police in Houston planned to charge Chanton Jenkins, 32, suspected of being intoxicated when he lost control of his car Saturday while using his cell phone, plunging the vehicle into a rain-filled ditch where five young passengers died, a spokesman said Sunday.

## 4 Spy offered defense

Iran's president said Sunday that American journalist Roxana Saberi, convicted of spying for the U.S., should be allowed to offer a full defense during her appeal, a day after she was sentenced to eight years in prison.

## 5 Hostage freed

A British hostage who was captured more than seven months ago by Nigeria's main militant group was freed on Sunday, a senior military official said. The captive, Robin Barry Hughes, was handed over to military officials in Nigeria's southern oil region, said the official, Sarkin Bello.



## 6 Eight-legged freakout

Move over, Godzilla—giant mechanical spider La Princesse made its way through the streets in Yokohama, west of Tokyo, on Sunday. The spider was built by French company La Machine. **AP**




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# sports

# fast breaks

**Bulls rookie Derrick Rose, Blackhawks' Jonathan Toews take quick route to top**

## RedEye

**d**errick Rose and Jonathan Toews are quick studies. Bulls rookie Rose and Blackhawks second-year player Toews are already leading their teams to postseason success. Rose scored 36 points Saturday in Boston as the Bulls beat the NBA's defending champs, and hours later Toews netted two goals as the Blackhawks took a 2-0 series lead against Calgary. How quickly have the two young players climbed the ladder of success? Let's find out.

## jonathan toews

Toews  
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**NHL PLAYOFFS  
GAME 3:  
Blackhawks  
at Calgary**  
8:30 p.m. CSN

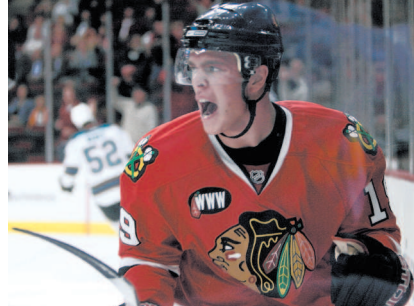
Blackhawks lead  
series 2-0

**june 2006**



Blackhawks selected Toews No. 3 overall in the NHL draft. He decided to go back to the University of North Dakota for his sophomore season.

**oct. 10, 2007**



Toews scored the Hawks' only goal in his NHL debut.

**nov. 11, 2007**

Tallied his first game-winning goal, against Detroit.

**december 2007**

Named team's alternate captain for the month.

**june 2008**



Finished second in rookie of the year voting to teammate Patrick Kane. Toews, however, missed 18 games due to injury.

**july 25, 2008**

Named the Hawks' 34th captain, the NHL's third youngest ever.

**2008-2009  
season**



Led Hawks with 34 goals.

**jan. 25, 2009**



Played in his first NHL All-Star Game.

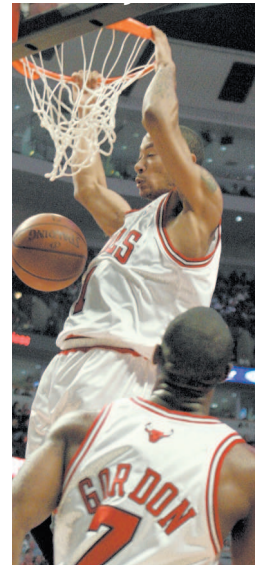


# derrick rose

**june 2008**

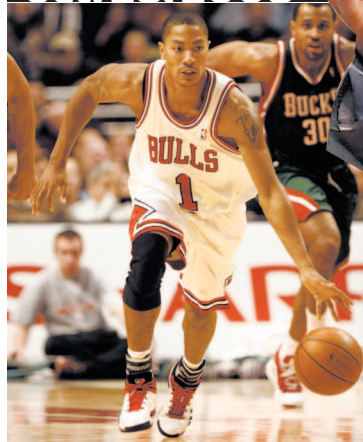
Bulls selected Rose No. 1 overall in the NBA draft.

**nov. 1, 2008**



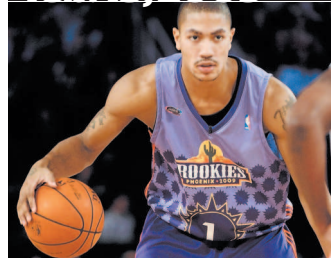
In only his third NBA game, Rose had his first 20-point effort with 26 points in a win against Memphis.

**oct. 28, 2008**



Rose scored 11 points and hands out 9 assists in his first NBA game.

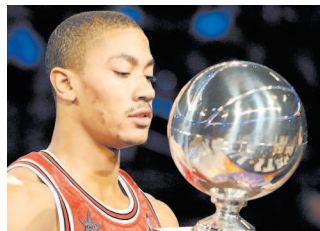
**feb. 13, 2009**



Played in the NBA's Rookie Challenge.

**feb. 14, 2009**

Won NBA All-Star Game's Skills Challenge.



**2008-2009 season**

Second on the team in scoring for a full season with the Bulls at 16.8 points per game.

**2009**

Favorite to win NBA Rookie of the Year award.

**NBA PLAYOFFS  
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Bulls at Boston**  
6 p.m. TNT

Bulls lead series 1-0

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**starting five**

The to-do list for sports fans this week.

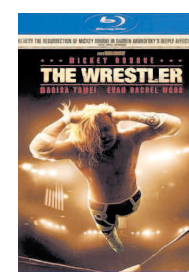
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**WATCH**

**Blackhawks at Calgary**

9 p.m. Wednesday, CSN



Yes, it's a late game, but if the Hawks sweep the Flames, this is the clincher.

Sure, it might not end until after midnight, but that's what sick days are for. Not that we're advocating skipping work. We'd never do that.

**ATTEND**

**Bulls vs. Boston**

7 p.m. Thursday, United Center



It might cost you a few bucks, but this is a big game now that the Bulls have stolen

home-court advantage from the defending champs. And what good is home-court advantage if fans like you don't come and scream your lungs out?

**ATTEND**

**Red Stars vs. Boston**

7:30 p.m. Saturday; Toyota Park, Bridgeview



Sports fans cannot live on basketball and hockey alone, so sprinkle in some

local soccer of the female variety. Chicago's newest pro team is the Red Stars, and they are undefeated. Well, they've tied once, but that's to be expected in soccer.

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## The Whiz quiz

Think you know your stuff? Test your sports smarts against RedEye's prognosticating pooch Whizzer. Derrick Rose's 36 points in a postseason debut by a rookie tied the NBA record held by which player? Text "rose" and the number of your answer to **87708**. I'll text ya back to tell you if you got the answer right or wrong.

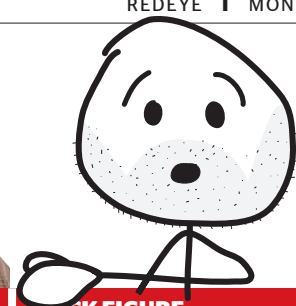
1. Larry Bird
2. Michael Jordan
3. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar
4. Charles Barkley
5. Kirk Hinrich





## Best of times ...

If these playoff wins keep coming, Stick Figure's going to look like a skinny Joaquin Phoenix with all that facial hair.



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<b>1</b> Exactly how good do Chicago sports fans have it right now?	They haven't been able to breathe this easy since Silverman swore off bean dip.	You can't get carried away right now. Wait until the victory parades.	It's called a multiple sportsgasm and it's great.	Bulls and Hawks in the playoffs; hope springs eternal for the Cubs and Sox: It's the '90s again!	So good Leo's been giggling like a schoolgirl all day.
<b>2</b> More impressive young playoff hero: Derrick Rose or Jonathan Toews?	Not to go all Nike ad on it, but Derrick Rose didn't just win, he started building his legacy.	Tyrus Thomas, for going this long without doing something "Artesty."	Not playing your "little game." A few years ago I was forced to root for Eddy Curry and Tyler Arnason.	Derrick Rose, who overcame the ghost of Red Auerbach and phantom foul calls.	I can't pick. That's like choosing between strawberry ice cream and cotton candy.
<b>3</b> How are these Bulls and Blackhawks wins changing the way you think of them?	I am now much less likely to offer a Blackhawks fan entry into the Witness Protection Program.	Now that their fans don't need them, I have to find some place to recycle my paper bags.	I don't want Vinny fired anymore. I just want him to be an assistant while his dad coaches the Bulls.	I just started thinking about them again, so don't get greedy.	I always knew they were winners. Yay Bulls and Blackhawks!
<b>4</b> Got any advice for Stick Figure as he grows his hockey playoff beard?	Go easy on the beard wax—you don't want to eat it for more than two meals a day.	You can use Wite-Out as shaving cream.	For beard-growing tips, call Kyle Orton. For manscaping tips, call Phil.	If Woolly Willy can do it, so can you!	There's another guy here named Stick Figure? Whoa, that is weird.
<b>5</b> Why did a jury acquit IndyCar driver Helio Castroneves of tax evasion?	You just don't cross someone who's been on "Dancing With the Stars."	I guess they figure someone named Helio could make a balloon payment.	If the driving gloves don't fit, you must acquit.	Can't convict what you can't catch! You think they'd remember to take away his car keys.	He's just a really nice guy. Nice guys don't do stuff like that.



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I'll assume you're watching the Bulls (6 p.m. TNT) and Blackhawks (8:30 p.m. CSN) tonight, but if you're not, shame on you. There are no Cubs or White Sox games and the Bulls and Hawks are playing lights-out. What more do you need? Here now, my TV picks.

## MLB

### Oakland at N.Y. Yankees

6 p.m. ESPN

See for yourself if the hype around the new Yankee Stadium is warranted.

## NHL

### Washington at N.Y. Rangers

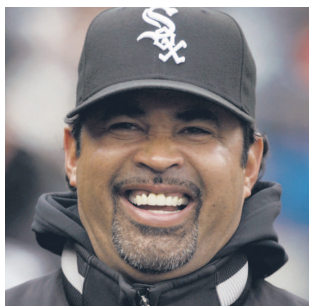
6 p.m. VERSUS

The No. 7 seed Capitals are up 2-0 on the No. 2 seed Rangers. Huge upset brewing.

## ONE-LINERS

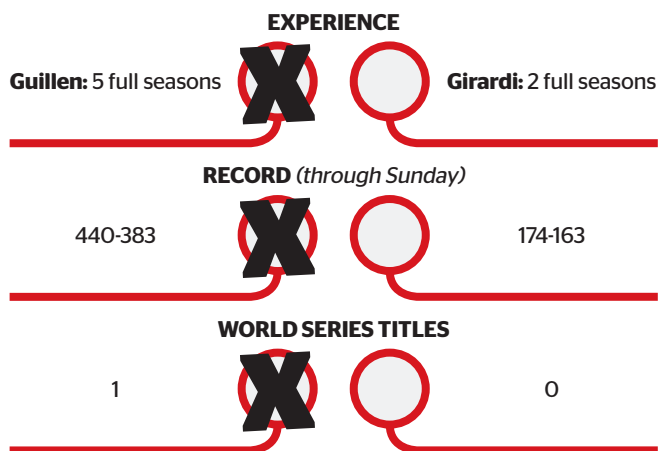
» Dario Franchitti wins Sunday's IndyCar Toyota Grand Prix of Long Beach; Helio Castroneves seventh.  
» UFC's Chuck Liddell's says career "probably" over after being knocked out in first round on Saturday night.  
» Rafael Nadal becomes first player to win five straight Monte Carlo Masters titles.

## MANAGER FACEOFF



## Guillen vs. Girardi

White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen fired back in amusement over comments made by former Sox Nick Swisher, who called the New York Yankees' Joe Girardi "the best manager" he has played for. "He's got to say what he's got to say," Guillen said Sunday. "He was talking about people he's only known for two weeks. That's hard to make that statement when you only know people for two weeks, but that's Nick." So, who really is the better manager? Time for a mini-Faceoff.



**OVERALL WINNER: Nick, it ain't even close. Guillen tops Girardi in a sweep.**

## HOMETOWN HITS



### WHITE SOX 12, TAMPA BAY 2

The White Sox earned their largest margin of victory over the Tampa Bay Rays in their 12-year series with an impressive blend of power, pitching and youth in a 12-2 victory Sunday.

» The White Sox will take a tour of the White House during Monday's day off. But it hasn't been determined if the Sox will have an opportunity to meet their No. 1 fan—President Obama. Not all members of the White Sox's traveling party will visit the White House, but a large contingent is expected to travel from Baltimore, where they will open a three-game series Tuesday.



Sunday night's game at Wrigley Field was postponed to July 12 due to weather. It will be played as part of a day-night doubleheader with separate admissions to each game.



### NORTHWESTERN 11, VIRGINIA 10

No. 1 Northwestern's (15-0) women's lacrosse team squeaked out an 11-10 road win over No. 10 Virginia.

## SUNDAY'S RESULT

Red Stars 0, Sky Blue FC 0

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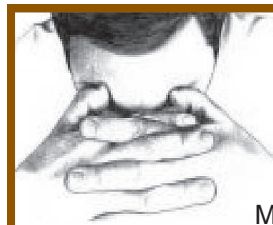
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# His & hers

**bachelor & bachelorette bashes**

## Toasting a friend's last night of freedom? Here's how to party on a budget

By Lisa Arnett

Damned is the couple that gets married in a recession. Or is it? When the time comes for bachelor and bachelorette bashes, no one wants to drop a ton of money—but no one wants to short the bride and groom either.

Looking for an easy way to save some cash? Skip pricey limos (or the annoying practice of hailing a half-dozen cabs to haul your crew cross-town) and plan your night in one neighborhood. Whether you're celebrating with the most laid-back anti-bride or the most traditional groom-to-be, we've got you covered with these nine party scenarios.

### Revelry rating

<b>G</b>	Low-key
<b>PG</b>	Keepin' it classy
<b>PG-13</b>	Nearing naughty
<b>R</b>	All-out crazy

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### IF YOU MUST ...

Looking for tried-and-true standbys such as drag shows at Kit Kat, dueling pianos at Howl at the Moon and gay bar-hopping in Boystown? They may be cliché, but we've still got your back. Log on to **metromix.com** and check out our party guide for more on these stalwarts.

## Ladies

### **G** EASY-BREEZY ON THE SOUTH SIDE

- » Bring your own spread of cheese and meats to **Lush Wine & Spirits** (1257 S. Halsted St.), where you can snack and sip on the patio with vino from the shop's selection of more than 50 bottles under \$10.
- » Hop over to **Mundial Cocina Mestiza** (1640 W. 18th St.) for a casual dinner of mouth-watering tamales (\$9) and fresh seafood dishes (\$19-\$22).
- » Stroll down the street to **Simone's Bar** (960 W. 18th St.) for a round (or three) of pisco sours (\$6) or microbrews such as Lost Coast Downtown Brown and Bells Cherry Stout (\$4-\$7). Open till 2 a.m., 3 a.m. Saturdays.



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### **PG** SEE AND BE SEEN IN WICKER PARK

- » Meet up at **Strange Beauty Show** (1118 N. Ashland Ave.), an edgy salon just settling into a new location with a private party room. Stylists will help your party primp for the night out with everything from smoky eye makeup to edgy hair extensions (\$30-\$60). BYO drinks to get the party started.
- » Trot up Milwaukee Avenue to trendy Italian eatery **Tocco** (1266 N. Milwaukee Ave.) to uncork some wine (five bottles available in the \$20 range) and graze on thin-crust pizzas (\$12-\$18) at the communal table, which seats up to 20.
- » Make your way back to Division Street to **Fuel Kitchen & Cocktail Lounge** (1725 W. Division St.) to cool off with apple-cucumber mojitos and frozen apple margaritas (\$9-\$11) until 2 a.m., 3 a.m. Saturdays.

## Gentlemen

### **G** LAID-BACK IN WICKER PARK

- » Meet for burgers and beer at new 'hood hang **The Ledge Bar & Grill** (1745 N. North Ave.), where the priciest sandwich on the menu is \$7.99 and Miller High Life drafts are always \$2. No reservations.
- » Stop in at **Aberdeen** (1856 W. North Ave.) to toast the soon-to-be-married man with a round of whatever's on special. On Fridays, that's \$4 bombs and \$3.50 drafts.
- » End the night monopolizing the jukebox at **Estelle's** (2013 W. North Ave.), or catch a show at **Double Door** (1572 N. Milwaukee Ave.).



**Aberdeen**  
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### **PG-13** REVELRY IN RIVER NORTH

- » Skip the stuffy steakhouse routine in lieu of the hipper, more affordable **District Bar** (170 W. Ontario St.), a just-opened lounge cooking up everything from crab rangoon-inspired chips and dip (\$12) to hangar steak with fries (\$24).
- » Make your next stop **Bull & Bear** (431 N. Wells St.), where booths equipped with beer taps were practically designed with bachelor parties in mind (30-40 cents an ounce).
- » End your night at **Social Twenty-Five** (25 W. Hubbard St.), a masculine late-night lounge where a 5 a.m. license and reliable bartenders leave plenty of room for regrettable behavior.

### **PG** COCKTAILING IN LOGAN SQUARE

- » If the man of honor loves his liquor but doesn't intend to get frat-style trashed, start your night off with a BYOB dinner at **Friendship** (2830 N. Milwaukee Ave., \$3 per bottle fee). The private party room seats 15, and trusty noodle and rice dishes cost \$13-\$15.
- » Scotch tastings? So overdone. Head to **Fuego Mexican Grill** (2047 N. Milwaukee Ave.) for tequila flights (\$12-\$16) from the bar's menu of 150-plus varieties.
- » Retire to **The Whistler** (2421 N. Milwaukee Ave.) for eclectic tunes and drinks. Try new creation The Old Square (\$8). No reservations.



**HEY PARTY PLANNERS!** Whether you have a group of four or a crew of a dozen, always call ahead first. Reservations are recommended at all of these spots unless otherwise noted. For hours, phone numbers and more details, log on to [metromix.com](http://metromix.com).

### PG-13 SOUTHPORT SPA-LIDAY

» Bring a bottle of bubbly to Lakeview salon **Nail Bar** (3444 N. Southport Ave.), where small groups are always welcome for manis (\$17) and pedis (\$35). For parties of 10 or more, they'll close up the shop for a \$100 fee and are open to any kind of "legal entertainment" you may have planned. You know, in case you're expecting a surprise visit from a firefighter, construction worker or UPS man ...

» Parade those pampered feet to **Lips Asian Bistro & Sushi Bar** (3705 N. Southport Ave.), a hot pink-hued haven decorated with photos of models' glossy pouts. Fill up on maki (\$5-\$14) and martinis such as the Emerald Mist, made with green tea liqueur and sparkling wine (\$8-\$10; \$5 Sunday-Wednesday).

» End the night at spicy Cuban spot **Coobah** (3423 N. Southport Ave.), where the sangria (\$6 a glass; \$18 a pitcher) flows till 2 a.m.

### R GET DIRTY DOWNTOWN

» If your bash just isn't complete without phallic water guns and a light-up tiara, make a day-before stop at **Batteries Not Included** (3420 N. Halsted St.; 1439 N. Milwaukee Ave.), where the shelves are fully stocked with all manner of naughty paraphernalia.

» Lead your group to see Thunder from Down Under at **Crobar** (1543 N. Kingsbury St.). The hunky, oiled-up Australians from the Las Vegas stage show fly in for two nights of shows for 500. Get ready to squeal for those six-packs, ladies (\$20. 6 p.m. May 29 and 30. Tickets: [crobar.com](http://crobar.com)).

» Keep the temperature up at late-night dance club **Avila** (203 W. Superior St.; \$10 average cover), just a quick cab ride away, where Latin dance music sizzles on three dance floors until 4 a.m. Fridays and 5 a.m. Saturdays.



### PG-13 PARTY HARD IN LINCOLN PARK

» **G Boutique** (1451 W. Fullerton Ave.) has been entertaining giggly girl groups with burlesque workshops and popular sex ed classes (\$20-\$35 per person) for years. Head to their Lincoln Park location, which recently relaunched with an especially bride-centric stock and expanded party space.

» Kick it up a notch at **Faith & Whiskey** (1365 W. Fullerton Ave.), the rock-themed bar where easy-on-the-eyes bartenders could easily pose for their own "Hottest Recent Grads of Lincoln Park" calendar. Drink packages range from \$25-\$35.

» When you're ready for more room to dance, head over to **Vain Nightclub** (2354 N. Clybourn Ave.; \$10 Fridays, no cover for ladies Saturdays) to make your move on the dance floor until 2 a.m. Friday; 3 a.m. Saturdays.



### R DOWNTOWN DEBAUCHERY

» If your goal is to give the groom a night he'll never remember, start your night at **Binny's** (1132 S. Jefferson St.) to pick up your bubbly, beer or booze of choice.

» Change your twenties for singles and proceed to BYOB strip club **Pink Monkey** (750 S. Clinton St. \$30; no cover before 8 p.m. One 750-milliliter bottle of liquor allowed per person). We just can't imagine what you'll do with the cash you save on booze.

» You won't make it farther without a pit stop at **White Palace Grill** (1159 S. Canal St.) for the hangover-helping 2222 Breakfast, featuring duos of eggs, bacon, sausage and pancakes (\$6.25).

» Hop a cab to dive bar fave **Cal's Liquors** (400 S. Wells St.) for cheap shots and \$2 bottles of PBR. On weekends, they're open till "Zish"—or whenever the bartender decides you've had enough.

## best bets

By Rebecca Palmore  
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### Earth Day prix-fixe

Farmerie 58, 58 E. Ontario St.  
312-440-1818.

A three-course menu features locally grown and sustainable fare for \$33. Partial proceeds benefit Friends of the Parks on Earth Day (Wednesday). 5 p.m. Through Saturday. \$33.

### Monday Night Dining Series

Kendall College, 900 N. North Branch St.  
312-752-2328.

The five-course, global series is back with fish 'n' chips and more fare from the U.K. Up next: German cuisine. 6:30 p.m. \$38.



### Mental Graffiti

Butterfly Social Club, 722 W. Grand Ave.  
312-666-1695.

Marty McConnell of HBO's "Def Poetry Jam" headlines the monthly open mic and slam in April. Also, get \$3 Half Acre Ales and \$5 vodka cocktails. 8 p.m. \$5.

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### "Fronteras del Amor" (Borders of Love)

National Museum of Mexican Art,  
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### Speaker Series

The Chicago Theatre, 175 N. State St.  
800-745-3000.

Chris Matthews interviews Tucker Carlson, Arianna Huffington and Paul Bagala about free speech and the media for the third installment. 7:30 p.m. \$38-\$150. Tickets: [speakerseries2009.com](http://speakerseries2009.com)

### Dating for Nerds: Earth Day Edition

Holiday Club, 4000 N. Sheridan Rd.  
312-265-6085.

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### MATISSE

\$3 burgers, \$4 beer of the month; 674 W. Diversey Pkwy. 773-528-6670.

### POAG MAHONE'S

\$2.50 9-ounce burgers (3 p.m.), \$6 sampler of Harp, Smithwick's and Guinness mini-pints; 333 S. Wells St. 312-566-9100.



Poag Mahone's  
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### PARAMOUNT ROOM

\$10 Kobe burger and a pint, \$5 shot and a beer, \$5 Jack Daniel's shots; 415 N. Milwaukee Ave. 312-829-6300.

### MCFADDEN'S

\$1 domestic bottles, \$2 import bottles, half-price appetizers, \$7 chicken parmesan sandwich with fries; 1206 N. State Pkwy. 312-475-9450.

### ROCK BOTTOM

\$3 happy hour menu (3-6 p.m.), \$3 Construction Ale pints; 1 W. Grand Ave. 312-755-9339.

### ROCKS

#### LINCOLN PARK

50 cent wings, \$3 drafts; 1301 W. Schubert Ave. 773-472-7738.

### ROSCOE'S TAVERN

\$2.50 Bud bottles, \$6 frozen cocktails; 3356 N. Halsted St. 773-281-3355.

### STREET SIDE CAFE

25 cent wings, \$2.50 domestic bottles; 3201 W. Armitage Ave. 773-252-9700.

### TANTRUM

\$5 Absolut martinis; 1023 S. State St. 312-939-9160.

### TOASTED OX

\$3 sub sandwiches and chips, \$6 domestic pitchers; 2470 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-697-4752.

### UNCOMMON

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\$4 drafts; 3800 N. Clark St. 773-929-3680.

### UNION PARK

\$3 Blue Moon, Sierra Nevada and Dos Equis drafts; 228 S. Racine Ave. 312-243-9002.

### WABASH TAP

\$5.50 hamburger and fries, \$15 domestic buckets; 1233 S. Wabash Ave. 312-360-9488.

## Monday deals

### ATLANTIC BAR & GRILL

\$2.50 domestic drafts, \$12 domestic buckets, \$3 select shots; 5062 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-506-7090.

### BUTTERFLY SOCIAL CLUB

8 p.m.: Mental Graffiti. The poetry collective hosts an open mic featuring nationally and locally recognized spoken word artists and slam poets.

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### DELILAH'S

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### FION WINE & SPIRITS

\$5 martinis and specialty cocktails; 426 W. Diversey Pkwy. 773-549-5400.

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Industry night. \$5 cocktails and shots, \$7 pizzas; 1725 W. Division St. 773-782-6034.

### GOOSE ISLAND BREWPUB

\$3.50 select half-pints; 1800 N. Clybourn Ave. 312-915-0071.

### JUNIOR'S SPORTS LOUNGE

\$1 tacos, \$3 microbrew and import drafts, \$15 select wine bottles; 724 W. Maxwell St. 312-421-2277.

### LOGAN BAR AND GRILL

\$4 draft of the month; 2230 N. California Ave. 773-252-1110.

### THE LUCKY LADY

\$3 beer of the month, \$5 Stoli cocktails; 440 N. State St. 312-670-0335.

### MOONSHINE

\$3 Red Stripe bottles, half-price wings; 1824 W. Division St. 773-862-8686.

### PADDY LONG'S

Half-price appetizers and bottles of wine, \$2 domestic cans, \$3 Sierra pints; 1028 W. Diversey Pkwy. 773-290-6988.

### PIECE

\$3 PBR drafts, \$3 Jim Beam Black shots; 1927 W. North Ave. 773-772-4422.

### PINT

\$4 well margaritas, \$7 top-shelf margaritas, \$4 Sambuca and Goldschlager shots; 1547 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-772-0990.

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## FLOSSTRADAMUS

Too early in the week to dance? With Willy Joy, *Ghetto Division*. 10 p.m. \$6. Abbey Pub, 3420 W. Grace St. 773-478-4408.

## ALKALINE TRIO

Former Chicagoans make a racket. With *Saves the Day*, *Death in the Park*. 8 p.m. Sold out. Metro, 3730 N. Clark St. 773-549-0203.

## MARIA TAYLOR

Former Azure Ray singer-songwriter supports her latest, "LadyLuck." With *The Whispertown 2000*. 9 p.m. \$12-\$14. Schubas, 3159 N. Southport Ave. 773-525-2508.



Maria Taylor

## Monday concerts

### THE BITTER SISTERS

8 p.m. \$10. Two-drink minimum. Davenport's, 1383 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-278-1830.

### CHICAGO CHAMBER MUSICIANS

7:30 p.m. \$10-\$40. Gottlieb Hall, Merit School of Music, 38 S. Peoria St. 312-225-5226.

### CHICAGO OPERA THEATER YOUNG ARTISTS

12:15 p.m. Free. Chicago Cultural Center, 78 E. Washington St. 312-744-6630.

### COBALT AND THE HIRED GUNS, MATT RYD, LUPE CARROLL

9 p.m. \$5. Double Door, 1572 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-489-3160.

### GRANA' LOUISE AND THE TROUBLEMAKERS

9 p.m. \$8. Blue Chicago at Superior, 736 N. Clark St. 312-642-6261.

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7 p.m. \$8. Red Line Tap, 7006 N. Glenwood Ave. 773-274-5463.

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Midnight. Cover varies. The Underground Wonder Bar, 10 E. Walton St. 312-266-7761.

### JIMMY BURNS HOSTS THE JAM

9:30 p.m. \$10. Buddy Guy's Legends, 754 S. Wabash Ave. 312-427-0333.

### JOEL PATERSON AND THE MODERN SOUNDS

8 p.m. \$5. Katerina's, 1920 W. Irving Park Rd. 773-348-7592.

### LEROY BACH AND DAN BITNEY

9:30 p.m. \$4. Hideout, 1354 W. Wabansia Ave. 773-227-4433.

### LESLIE BEUKELMAN QUINTET

8 p.m. \$10 suggested donation. Uncommon Ground on Devon, 1401 W. Devon Ave. 773-465-9801.

### LINSEY ALEXANDER

9:30 p.m. Cover varies. B.L.U.E.S., 2519 N. Halsted St. 773-528-1012.

### MIKE FINNERTY PRO JAZZ JAM

8 p.m. Free. Bill's Blues Bar, 1029 Davis St., Evanston. 847-424-9800.

### PATRICIA BARBER QUARTET

9 p.m. \$7. Green Mill, 4802 N. Broadway. 773-878-5552.

### PLANNING THE REBELLION, JAY GRAVES, IDIOM

8:30 p.m. \$7. Elbo Room, 2871 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-549-5549.

### ROOSEVELT UNIVERSITY BIG BAND

8 and 10 p.m. Cover varies. Jazz Showcase, 806 S. Plymouth Ct. 312-360-0234.

### TED SIROTA'S REBEL SOULS

9 p.m. Free. Morseland, 1218 W. Morse Ave. 773-764-8900.

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9 p.m. Free. Martyrs', 3855 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-404-9869.

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Staff Accountant	BETHEL NEW LIFE, INC.	Chicago	CB316265

<b>ADMIN, CLERICAL &gt;&gt;</b>			
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Education	ELGIN COMMUNITY GROUP	Elgin	CB319016
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Environmental/Civil Engineer	PRACTICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS	Schaumburg	CB316495
Office Mgr/Mktg Sales Rep	DOCTORS OFFICE	SW Suburbs	CB310498
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<b>GOVERNMENT MUNICIPAL &gt;&gt;</b>			
Park Lakefront Manager	WINNETKA PARK DISTRICT	Winnetka	CB310041
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Health Care / Social Services	JACKSON PARK HOSPITAL	Chicago	CB325210
Marketing Liaison	ALDEN	Northwest Suburbs	CB316382
Medical Billing/Collections	PBP	Hometown, IL	CB325209
Medical Billing/Collections Rep	COMPANY CONFIDENTIAL	Park Ridge	CB308296
Medical Receptionist	GENERAL SURGERY PRACTICE	Orland Park	CB311048
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<b>INSURANCE &gt;&gt;</b>			
Claim Status Specialist	DIATRI	Mokena	CB316356

<b>LEGAL &gt;&gt;</b>			
Business Immigration Attorney	THORELLI & ASSOC.	Chicago	CB314872

<b>MAINTENANCE &gt;&gt;</b>			
Maintenance Manager	FRESH EXPRESS	Franklin Park	CB311304
Maintenance Mechanic	NILES TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 219	Skokie	CB321860

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Area Manager	HERITAGE FINANCIAL GROUP	Chicagoland	CB317522
Gas Station/Convenience Store Mgr	SELEX LLC	Near North Suburbs	CB325347
General Service Mgr	IMAGETEC L.P.	Chicagoland	CB325011

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Machinist	MFG. CO.	Mt. Prospect	CB317243
Maintenance Manager	BANKIER COMPANIES	Niles	CB315833
Manufacturing	MONARCH TECHNICAL	Chicagoland	CB309447
Manufacturing Engineer	CUSTOM FILTER	Aurora	CB314303
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Marketing Coordinator	IN-STORE MARKETING INSTITUTE	Chicago	CB313805
Strategic Mrktg & Analytics Mgr	CHICAGO TRIBUNE	Chicago	CB308648

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RN Psychiatric Clinical Liaison	EXTENDED CARE CLINICAL, LLC	Chicago	CB313307
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Staff Nurses	NORWEGIAN AMERICAN HOSPITAL	Chicago	CB317593

<b>PRINTING &gt;&gt;</b>			
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<b>RETAIL &gt;&gt;</b>			
Retail Positions	ALDI, INC.	Chicagoland	CB313676

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Account Exec / Sales Rep	INDIANA BEACH AMUSEMENT RESORT	Chicago	CB315167
Account Executive	ALPER SERVICES, LLC	Chicago	CB311898
Account Executives/Sales/Mgmt	EMS	Chicagoland	CB315948
Appointment Setters	A MARKETING COMPANY	Various	CB317368
Commercial Representatives	2 BILLION DOLLAR ENERGY LEADER	Chicagoland	CB323418
Division Sales Manager	CHICAGO TRIBUNE MEDIA GROUP	Chicago	CB315793
New & Used Car Sales	ROSEN NISSAN	Gurnee	CB316957
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## Quality tops quantity when it comes to besties

By Kyra Kyles  
REDEYE

You might go on Craigslist to get rid of a gently used sofa, join a running group or find a roommate.

But could you use it to find a new best bud?

It's worth a shot, according to South Sider Zaquita Alexander.

"I have a lot of friends, but we don't have the same interests anymore," Alexander, 29, said.

That's why she posted a Craigslist ad "looking for a new BFF" in late March.

"I love sushi, and when I ask my girlfriends I have now if they want to go with me, they say, 'Eeew,'" Alexander said.

"They don't want to check out a play with me, even though I'm into theater. A lot of them are married and settled, or just want to keep doing the same things we did when we were younger."

Alexander was nervous about posting a call-out for a confidant, especially online for all to see, she said, but local experts agreed that finding a close friend, especially in your mid-20s and 30s, is serious work.

It's almost like looking for a partner, husband or wife, a local life coach and psychotherapist told RedEye.

But it's worth the effort, online or otherwise. Several recent scientific studies have shown a link between good friends and happiness, even longevity, according to University of Chicago professor John Cacioppo, who is involved in a 10-year study of social relationships set to end in 2010.

Some recent studies even suggest that the more friends you have, the more money you make, according to Cacioppo.

There is some truth to that, but that doesn't mean more buds equals more Benjamins.

"We do find money and loneliness to be inverse, but it's more about happiness and connectedness," Cacioppo said. Friendlier professionals tend to get bigger bonuses, more job referrals and positive attention from co-workers. "People who have trouble making friends are usually hypersensitive to perceived social slights and therefore less likely to be successful in a team environment," Cacioppo said.

There's nothing wrong with having fewer friends, though, as long as they are strong,



# DO YOU NEED A FRIEND?

positive and real connections.

"The book we've written suggests it isn't a number—there is a quality of relationships that relates to happiness," Cacioppo said of findings in the 2008 book he co-authored, "Loneliness." More data is set to be released as a book in the near future, he said. "A person who has 1,000 friends on Facebook but no meaningful relationships isn't going to necessarily be happy."

Even if you have good friends, you must be willing to adapt and let others into your inner circle as life changes, said local life coach Kathryn Keller of [kckeller.com](http://kckeller.com). Keller said

most people have relationships with others on five levels, ranging from "best" and "close" friends to peripheral people you see and talk to on a limited level.

People move in and out of those circles, Keller said, but maintaining at least two or three close friends helps stave off feelings of loneliness.

Chatham's Karen Coleman appears to be living Keller's advice.

Coleman, 36, said she has had many close friends over the years, but now treasures relationships with three.

"My circle has gotten tighter over the years,

and that happens as your life changes and goes in one direction, while your friends' lives go in theirs," Coleman said. Last month, she made her circle even tighter after a cousin with whom she had a close relationship blogged about the details of her personal life in an unflattering way, Coleman said.

"She will always be my family," Coleman said. "But she will no longer be a person I confide in."

River North's Derrick Alba said trust plays a big role in his decision to limit himself to one or two really good friends.

"I don't think you can ever have too many



Zaquita Alexander (center) and April Roberts (right) meet up with friends at Rumba in River North on a recent Friday night. **YVETTE MARIE DOSTATNI FOR REDEYE**



## FRIENDSHIPS BY THE NUMBERS

How many friends can you handle?

The answer varies according to the individual, local experts told RedEye. But life coach Ioanna Chaney said you'll know you've reached your limit when you cringe at the number of phone calls, texts, e-mails and Evites from your social circle.

Still, some scientists actually have calculated how many buds people can and do balance in different situations. Check out these digits:

# 120

Average Facebook friend count, according to Facebook research scientist Cameron Marlow.



# 150

Friendships a human can reasonably maintain, according to British anthropologist Robin Dunbar, who factored in the cognitive power of primates to estimate the number of stable social interactions one can have.

# 400-500

Social networking members you can effectively communicate with, according to Avner Levin, director of the Privacy and Cyber Crime Institute at Canada's Ryerson University's Ted Rogers School of Management. **K.K.**

SOURCES: THE ECONOMIST, GLOBEANDMAIL.COM



acquaintances, especially if you want to have lots of places to go," Alba, 37, said. "But I'm careful about who I call a close friend. I'm happy to have one."

Psychotherapist and local life coach Ioanna Chaney recommends more than one close bud.

"Don't put all your eggs in one basket," said Chaney, who has offices in Lincoln Park and downtown. "People move away, people have kids. With those changes, your friendships change."

Arlington Heights resident Lana Reznikov learned about the fleeting nature

of friendship last August when she lost close companions to relationships and marriages. Reznikov, newly single at the time, didn't have as much in common with her coupled-up buds, so she started a **meetup.com** group.

Reznikov attended approximately seven different events and exchanged phone numbers with several Meetup members, but never really clicked with anyone.

"I just started going out by myself or with people I already knew," Reznikov, 32, said. "I went for a drink with a neighbor, bumped into a friend and we all hung out. ... I also ran

into an old landlord of mine, and we became good friends. I'm an outgoing person, so I realized I didn't need Meetup."

Meanwhile, Alexander said she is excited about the results of her online effort.

She and some of her cousins met up with a potential best bud during a recent networking event at Rumba in River North.

They had a "fantastic time," Alexander gushed.

"I'm so happy to meet someone who shares my interests," Alexander said, adding: "I think she is best-friend material."

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## THE YOUNG AND THE 'BEST-LESS'?

Finding good friends can get pretty dang difficult once you graduate from college, where friends of your own age and interests are just a dorm room away. But don't despair: Even if you're in your mid-20s or 30s and are hemorrhaging friends faster than John Mayer sends tweets, there are ways to bond with a new bestie. RedEye combined our collective wisdom with that of area life coaches to give you this guide. **KYRA KYLES, REDEYE**

## GET OUT

**Do:** Get out and about, instead of trying to Facebook or MySpace your way to your next best bud, said Kathryn Keller, a life coach and licensed clinical social worker who is based downtown.

**Don't:** Desperately attend every Meetup and Tweetup in your area, whether or not the topic is appealing to you. If you're allergic to dogs, that gathering at Wiggly Field might be more frightening than fruitful.

## SPEAK OUT

**Do:** Reach out if you see a person you might connect with. "If you run into a person who does the same thing as you, and you see them over and over again, say something," said downtown- and Lincoln Park-based life coach and psychotherapist Ioanna Chaney. "Say, 'Hi, I know I've seen you hanging around here. Would you like to have coffee later?' Don't be afraid of rejection."

**Don't:** Be that weird person in the local coffee shop ear-hustling in other people's conversations—only to join in with the brief but unnerving intro: "I'm sooo lonely and you guys seems sooooo cool. Mind if I pull up a stump?"

## LISTEN UP

**Do:** "Be a good listener," Chaney advised, when it comes to your first one-on-one conversation with a potential bud. "Always be more interested in others than you are in yourself."

**Don't:** Stare intently at the person until the silence becomes uncomfortable. Your conversation companion is looking for someone willing to listen, not live out Jennifer Jason Leigh's role in "Single White Female." **KKYLES@TRIBUNE.COM**





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### Cancer

June 22-July 22

You're usually conservative in the bedroom. The missionary position with the lights out is fine with you. But Mars is putting you in a funkadelic mood. You'll invest in some satin sheets, expensive vodka and a new sex toy or two.



### Leo

July 23-Aug. 22

You know you're right.

Unfortunately, your partner has a different view. The moon is putting you in one of your "I'm going to pout until I get my way" moods. It's a good thing your lover is so damn patient and understanding.



### Virgo

Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Venus finally is moving away from its annoying position opposite your sign. You'll feel less like an unattractive slug and more like a gorgeous swan. Invest in a haircut, some new clothes and some killer cologne to complete this glamorous picture.



### Libra

Sept. 23-Oct. 23

The moon has you wondering why a certain someone is freaking out about your relationship. You've done nothing wrong. Surely it was OK to sleep with your former roommate? I mean, it's not like you and the new Mr. X or Ms. Z are exclusive or anything. Yeah, right.



### Scorpio

Oct. 24-Nov. 21

If you're single, you won't be by the end of the week. Mars

is making you frantic about getting some action. If you're involved with someone and your honey tries to pull the old "I have to work late," you won't let him or her get away with it.



### Sagittarius

Nov. 22-Dec. 21

Finally, your love life doesn't completely suck. The new moon is making everything go easier. If you're asking someone out, you won't make a complete ass of yourself. If you're involved with an on-again, off-again thing, it will be on again.



### Capricorn

Dec. 22-Jan. 19

The sun is putting you in a sexy mood. You'll suggest something bold to your partner. Good for you. Take a weekend getaway and seduce your lover for 48 hours straight. Get a little wild. It's time to burn off some steam.



### Aquarius

Jan. 20-Feb. 18

You could strike up a hot spark

with someone as the moon kicks up the flirtation vibes. You'll discover that you and a co-worker are secretly attracted to each other. Or you'll meet someone at a party who totally makes you swoon.



### Pisces

Feb. 19-March 20

Four planets are in your sign, so you're feeling no pain. If your boyfriend tells you he's leaving you for a man, you won't care. If your girlfriend says that she's decided to become a nun, you'll be cool with that. How did you get so damn mellow?



### Aries

March 21-April 19

Pluto has you dreaming of your Prince or Princess Charming. You're longing for an ideal mate straight out of Disney. You do realize that Disney characters are cartoons, don't you? No matter how much you want to avoid it, it's time to get real.



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Kiefer Sutherland had an eventful stay in Chicago last week. He checked into the Hotel Monaco on Wednesday and dined at Gibsons that night, then hit Angels & Kings. The next night he returned to A&K for more refreshments.

Eyewitnesses tell me the

"24" star was very animated and even kissed a dude on the lips!

### Holly world

Holly Madison showed off her newly toned bod at Enclave on Saturday night—toned thanks to "Dancing With The Stars." Madison said she practiced seven hours a day while on the show but ate whatever she wanted, including McDonald's. Madison says she'll still make appearances on the next season of "The Girls Next Door" even though her ex, Hugh Hefner, has new girlfriends. And even though she's not dating Criss Angel anymore, she claims they're still friends.

### Jersey lunch

Frankie Valli hosted a lunch with "Jersey Boys" stars Bryan McElroy, Shonn Hussein Wiley, Dominic Scaglione Jr. (who plays Valli) and Michael Ingersoll at Frankie's Scaloppine on Saturday. Valli claims the "Jersey Boys" show is a pretty accurate portrayal of his life with The Four Seasons, so I asked if he's really such a good guy in real life, because he appears to be one in the show. "You'd have to get to know me!" Valli quipped.

### SIGHTINGS

» Ex-"Beverly Hills, 90210" star Ian Ziering hung out at Manor on Saturday night. » Vince Vaughn was spotted at the United Center for the Blackhawks game Saturday night. » Holly Montag (Heidi's sister) partied at Citizen on Saturday night. » Solange Knowles hung out at Crimson Lounge on Saturday night. » Both Michael Shannon and Gary Sinise stayed at The James Hotel over the weekend.



### CELEB NEWS TICKER

« Ellen DeGeneres gets GLAAD for show about wedding » Kanye, Nine Inch Nails, Oasis, Lil Wayne, Coldplay headlining Denmark's Roskilde Festival » Val Kilmer puts Santa Fe ranch on the market for \$33 million » Eagles' founder sues GOP Senate candidate over songs » Julia Louis-Dreyfus on 'Seinfeld' reunion on 'Curb Your Enthusiasm': Just like old times » 'Desperate Housewives' cast, crew bid farewell Nicolette Sheridan » 'Empire of the Sun' writer dies at 78



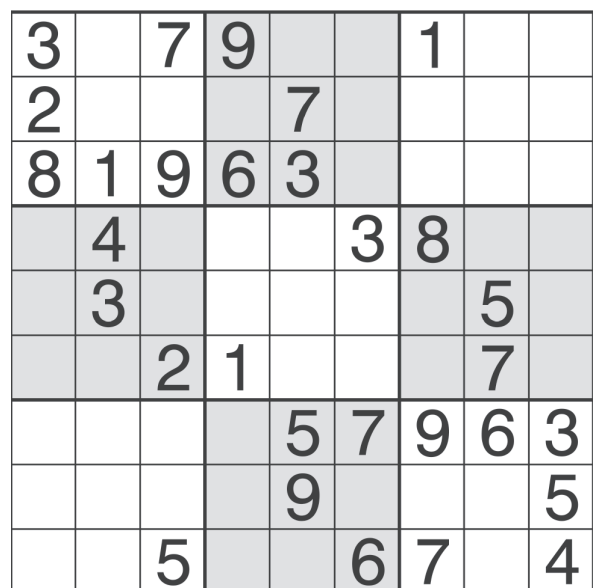
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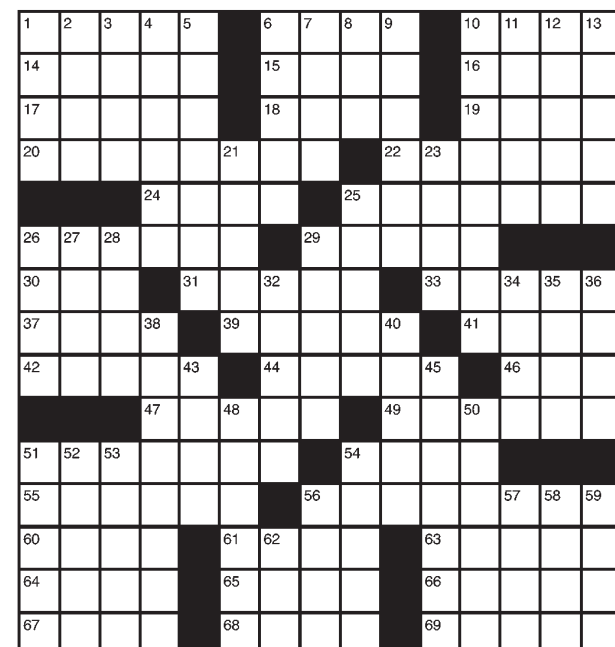
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## ACROSS

- 1 Little coronet
- 6 Gilbert, for one
- 10 Quarry
- 14 To the point: Lat.
- 15 "Moby Dick" character
- 16 Slugger Pete
- 17 Tranquility
- 18 Spanish title
- 19 Handle
- 20 "Night Fever"
- 22 Like a good steak
- 24 Major disturbance
- 25 Guiding lights
- 26 Complete failure
- 29 No longer in vogue
- 30 Laila or her dad
- 31 Astrological ram
- 33 Bum
- 37 Church season
- 39 Blot
- 41 Murder
- 42 Approach midnight
- 44 Lab burners
- 46 Achy & feverish
- 47 Spacious
- 49 Change
- 51 Fears
- 54 Gambler's spot
- 55 Let go of
- 56 Minuteman II and Trident I
- 60 \_a-brac
- 61 Send out
- 63 Upper crust
- 64 High rating
- 65 Leave the ground
- 66 Seed covering
- 67 Toboggan
- 68 Retort rudely
- 69 Misses in Mexico: abbr.

## DOWN

- 1 Evening song
- 2 Concept
- 3 Smell \_; suspect
- 4 Happens again



- 5 "My Country 'Tis of Thee"
- 6 Egyptian leader killed in 1981
- 7 Cookie: Chips \_!
- 8 Raced
- 9 Ebbs
- 10 Lively horses
- 11 Musical composition
- 12 German city
- 13 Periods of time
- 21 Places for peepholes
- 23 Steinbeck's " \_ of Eden"

- 25 Sink
- 26 Collapse
- 27 Intestinal parts
- 28 Isn't badly
- 29 Like certain mosses
- 32 Knickknacks
- 34 Inter \_; among other things
- 35 \_ liquor
- 36 Nabors' role
- 38 Tiered
- 40 Tom, Dick and Harry
- 43 "High \_"
- 45 Late afternoon

- occurrences
- 48 Mandates
- 50 Laborer
- 51 Brass instruments
- 52 Join
- 53 Western European river
- 54 Ceremonies
- 56 Feel the loss of
- 57 Tilt to one side
- 58 Comical Kett
- 59 Black & Yellow
- 62 Sinatra's third

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# red hot

Madonna  
AP



## No horsing around

Madonna was thrown off her high horse—literally—Saturday after the animal she was riding in the Hamptons was spooked by paparazzi. According to the AP, the Material Girl suffered “minor injuries” and bruises, a spokeswoman said, after photographers “jumped out of the bushes.” The pop star was treated at a hospital and released. She also was thrown from a horse in England in 2005. Ouch!

### THE DIGIT

## \$24.1 million

Amount “17 Again,” starring Zac Efron, took in over the weekend, making it box-office king. The movie held off Russell Crowe and Ben Affleck’s “State of Play.”

### Ultimate ’tween battle

Zac Efron defeated another ’tween star, Miley Cyrus, whose movie was No. 1 last week, at the box office. What place did “Hannah Montana: The Movie” slip to? Text **“tween”** and the number of your answer to **87708**. You’ll get a text back with the right answer.

1. 2    2. 3    3. 4    4. 5    5. It’s not even in the Top 10 anymore.

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### THE VELVET ROPE

#### 30 rocks for Kate Hudson

Kate Hudson embraced her milestone birthday with an A-list birthday bash Friday night, **people.com** reports. The actress celebrated her 30th with celebs such as her mom Goldie Hawn—who hosted the party—and her partner Kurt Russell; Demi Moore; Ashton Kutcher; Jessica Alba; Cash Warren; Gwen Stefani; Justin Timberlake and even Cher! Not at the party—on-again, off-again boyfriend Owen Wilson.

#### It’s the little things

Next time she gets the offer, M.I.A. might go missing from a big stage. The “Paper Planes” rapper started strong during her set Saturday on the main stage at the Coachella music festival in California. But after a so-so finish, she told the crowd, “Next time I’m back in the tent. I want to be in the sweat.” Exhibit A: Whereas at smaller shows M.I.A. dances with the crowd, at Coachella security stopped audience members who tried to get on stage. (Wah waaah.)

#### He also does bar mitzvahs

Elton John: wedding singer? He was Friday in Austin, Texas, taking requests and playing songs at the reception for tennis star Andy Roddick and his new bride, swimsuit model Brooklyn Decker, **people.com** reports. Not that Sir Elton is hard up for cash—he’s a friend of Roddick’s.



BLOOMBERG NEWS

**“I’m not sure if it’s good to have freedom or not. ... I’m gradually beginning to feel that we Chinese need to be controlled. If we’re not being controlled, we’ll just do what we want.”**

—Actor Jackie Chan (above), whose comments Saturday during a forum for Chinese business leaders drew outrage and sharp criticism from lawmakers in Taiwan and Hong Kong. They accused him of insulting his own race.

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